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Customer No. 22,852  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Masahiro SAWAYANAGI, et al. ) Group Art Unit: 3612  
Application No.: 10/667,480 ) Examiner: Dennis H. Pedder  
Filed: September 23, 2003 )  
For: **BRACKET COUPLING** ) Confirmation No.: 9068  
**STRUCTURE** )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed August 19, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments** to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments** to the claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.